

- (1) \$3,200,000 is authorized to be available on a grant basis for the Republic of Albania;
- (2) \$3,000,000 is authorized to be available on a grant basis for the Republic of Croatia;
- (3) \$10,000,000 is authorized to be available on a grant basis for Georgia; and
- (4) \$3,600,000 is authorized to be available on a grant basis for the Republic of Macedonia.

**SEC. 6. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

Congress affirms that it stands ready to consider, and if all applicable criteria are satisfied, to support efforts by Ukraine to join the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, should Ukraine decide that it wishes to pursue membership in the Alliance.

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**ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2006**

Mr. DEWINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 9:30 a.m. on Friday, December 8. I further ask that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved, and the Senate proceed to a period of morning business until 10:30 a.m., with the time until 10:30 a.m. equally divided between the two lead-

ers or their designees; further, that at 10:30, the Senate proceed to executive session for the cloture vote on the nomination of Kent Jordan to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

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**PROGRAM**

Mr. DEWINE. Mr. President, there are many critical legislative and executive items that must be completed before the Senate adjourns sine die. On behalf of the majority leader, I ask Senators on both sides of the aisle to be prepared for a busy day tomorrow. Before we adjourn, the leaders announced that we will complete action on a continuing resolution, a tax extenders package, nominations, and a number of other legislative items that both sides are attempting now to clear for action. The majority leader has indicated there is still a hope to complete our business tomorrow, but the Senate will remain in session into the weekend if necessary in order to finish our work.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M.  
TOMORROW

Mr. DEWINE. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 9:10 p.m., adjourned until Friday, December 8, 2006, at 9:30 a.m.

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**NOMINATIONS**

Executive nomination received by the Senate December 7, 2006:

**THE JUDICIARY**

THOMAS ALVIN FARR, OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA, VICE MALCOLM J. HOWARD, RETIRED.

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**CONFIRMATION**

Executive nomination confirmed by the Senate December 7, 2006:

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

ANDREW VON ESCHENBACH, OF TEXAS, TO BE COMMISSIONER OF FOOD AND DRUGS, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

THE ABOVE NOMINATION WAS APPROVED SUBJECT TO THE NOMINEE'S COMMITMENT TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS TO APPEAR AND TESTIFY BEFORE ANY DULY CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE.